

REMARKS

Applicant appreciates Examiner Dave Scherbel's time and input on April 29, 2005. Pursuant to Examiner Scherbel's recommendation, the claims readable on the elected, with traverse, species and subspecies have been indicated.

Applicant's non-elected claims 12-19, Group II, are simply method claims of making the nozzle tip component with a seal claimed in claims 1-11. The Examiner states the requirements in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures and specifically M.P.E.P. 806.05 and then concludes that a restriction requirement is proper without supporting the conclusion. Reconsideration is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

The apparatus claims, claims 1-11, are to an injection molding nozzle tip. Similarly, the method claims, claims 12-19, are to a "method of making an injection molding nozzle tip" (emphasis added). Thus, it is clear that the method used to make the nozzle tip is not for making a materially different products.

The apparatus claims claim the nozzle tip, and the method claims claim the method of making the nozzle tip. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully believed that this application is now in

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condition for allowance, and an early notice of allowance is
solicited.

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